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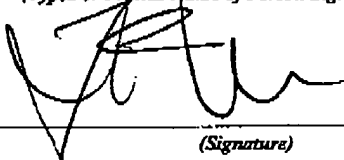
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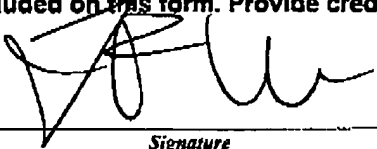
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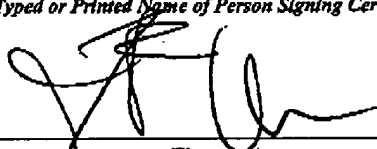
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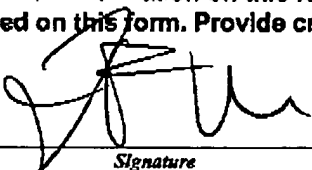
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The status of the pending claims is found in the "Listing of Claims," beginning on page 2 of this paper.

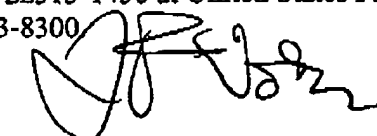
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